

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 914

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A RESOLUTION to commend Kirstin Leigh Cheers for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Kirstin Leigh Cheers is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representative Joe Towns and Representative Johnnie Turner; Kirstin's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheers was born in Memphis on December 30, 1990, to Kathleen Myers and Leroy Cheers, and she is the proud sister of Kalanit Cheers-Saleem; and

WHEREAS, she is a 2009 graduate of Memphis Central High School; and

WHEREAS, a student at the University of Memphis, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Kirstin Cheers is a journalism major with a minor in political science and African American studies; and

WHEREAS, active in her community, Ms. Cheers has served as a freshman mentor with the FRESH Program, as a soup kitchen volunteer, as a resident advisor, as a volunteer for the Youth Empowerment Program, and as a member of Black Scholars Unlimited, the National Association of Black Journalists, and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Kirstin serves with acumen and alacrity as an intern with *Divine Magazine* in Memphis and previously served as an employee with Memphis City Hall, Best Buy, and Stir Up The Gifts Daycare; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Ms. Cheers is a recipient of the Hope Scholarship, Queen of Sheba Scholarship, and The National Coalition of 100 Black Women Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, she is also an active and devout member of The New Olivet Baptist Church;  
and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Kirstin Cheers brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2012 session of the One Hundred Seventh General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2012 legislative session, Ms. Cheers has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Kirstin Cheers has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Kirstin Leigh Cheers for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Joe Towns and Representative Johnnie Turner and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.